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SUBJECT: DIET INTERPELLATIONS SEPTEMBER 19 AND 20

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SUMMARY. IN LOWER HOUSE INTERPELLATIONS SEPTEMBER 19, PRIMIN MIKI STATED THAT NO "NEW KOREA CLAUSE" EMANATED FROM US-JAPAN SUMMIT; URGED THAT PEOPLE RID THEMSELVES OF PRECONCEPTION THAT SECURITY TREATY SYSTEM IS STRENGTHENED AT EACH SUMMIT; DESCRIBED US-JAPAN DEFENSE CONSULTATIONS AS WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF JAPAN CONSTITUTION; REITERATED THAT JAPAN WOULD NOT RECOGNIZE NORTH KOREA SOON; SAID HE HOPED NPT WOULD BE RATIFIED QUICKLY; DISSOCIATED HIMSELF AND GOJ FROM HIRASAWA ARTICLE; AND SAID THAT, WHILE GOJ WOULD NOT RECOGNIZE PLO, IT WOULD PERMIT PLO TO OPEN A PRIVATE OFFICE IN TOKYO. END SUMMARY.

1. THE FINAL TWO DAYS OF GENERAL INTERPELLATIONS IN BOTH
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UPPER AND LOWER HOUSES COVERED GENERALLY SAME GROUND AS PRIMIN'S POLICY SPEECH AND SEPTEMBER 18 INTERPELLATIONS. FOLLOWING REMARKS OF PRIMIN IN SEPTEMBER 19 LOWER HOUSE ARE OF INTEREST.

2. KOREA. PRIMIN SAID THAT TO CONCLUDE THAT A "NEW KOREA CLAUSE" HAD RESULTED FROM US-JAPAN SUMMIT MEETING, OR THAT THE SECURITY TREATY HAD BEEN STRENGTHENED BY IT, WAS A MISUNDERSTANDING. THIS SUMMIT HAD MOVED FROM PREVIOUS STAND-POINT OF CONSIDERING ONLY ROK SECURITY TO ONE OF CONSIDERING PEACE AND SECURITY OF ENTIRE KOREAN PENINSULA. HE SAID PEOPLE MUST RID THEMSELVES OF PRECONCEPTION THAT EVERY TIME THERE IS A US-JAPAN SUMMIT MEETING A STRENGTHENING OF THE SECURITY TREATY IS DISCUSSED. HE SAID HE THOUGHT ROK WAS HEADED TOWARD FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY, BUT THAT VARIOUS COUNTRIES WERE AT DIFFERENT STAGES OF DEVELOPMENT; HE ADDED THAT IS NOT APPROPRIATE TO CRITICIZE ROK POLITICAL SYSTEM. HE DESCRIBED US-JAPAN DEFENSE CONSULTATIONS AS BEING WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF JAPAN'S CONSTITUTION. REFERRING TO PROBLEM OF DISSOLUTION OF UN FORCES IN KOREA, MIKI SAID JAPAN'S POSITION IS THAT COUNTRIES INVOLVED SHOULD DISCUSS PROBLEM WHILE PRESERVING LEGAL FRAMEWORK. WHILE SOME COUNTRIES WERE PROPOSING WITHDRAWAL OF UN FORCES FROM KOREA, JAPAN'S PROPOSAL WAS REALISTIC. HE SAID THAT HE WAS NOT CONSIDERING RECOGNITION OF NORTH KOREA SOON, BUT THAT HE WISHED TO INCREASE ECONOMIC, CULTURAL AND PERSONAL EXCHANGES.

3. NPT. MIKI SAID THAT HE HOPED NPT WOULD BE RATIFIED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IF JAPAN WERE TO MAKE CLEAR THE FACT THAT IT WOULD NOT ACQUIRE NUCLEAR ARMAMENTS, IT WOULD GIVE JAPAN PERSUASIVE ARGUMENT FOR DISARMAMENT AND APPLY A BRAKE TO NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION.

4. NORTHERN TERRITORIES. MIKI SAID THAT THE HIRASAWA ARTICLE WAS STRICTLY A PERSONAL MATTER AND WAS NOT RELATED TO HIM OR GOJ. HE SAID THAT GOJ POLICY FOR PACKAGE REVERSION OF THE FOUR ISLANDS HAD NOT CHANGED.

5. PLO. MIKI SAID THAT WHILE IT IS GOJ'S UNDERSTANDING THAT PLO IS PEOPLES' LIBERATION ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE OF PALESTINIANS, IT COULD NOT BE CALLED A GOVERNMENT OR A STATE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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AND JAPAN WOULD NOT RECOGNIZE IT ON BASIS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW. HE SAID, HOWEVER, THAT JAPAN WOULD PERMIT PLO PERSONNEL TO ENTER JAPAN TO OPEN A PRIVATE OFFICE IN TOKYO.

6. COMMENT. MIKI HAS CONTINUED SUCCESSFULLY TO AVOID ISSUES WHICH ARE CONTROVERSIAL WITHIN LDP AND THEREFORE LITTLE NEW GROUND WAS BROKEN DURING GENERAL INTERPELLATIONS. REAL TEST WILL COME AS DIET APPROACHES OPENING OF BUDGET COMMITTEE SESSIONS WHERE GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS WILL BE EXAMINED IN DETAIL BY OPPOSITION AND DURING WHICH BEHIND-THE-SCENES COMPROMISES MUST BE WORKED OUT ON IMPORTANT ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL MEASURES.

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